

OFFERS LEGION INDEPENDENT TEAM

KEYS MEET ON SUNDAY AT CUBS' PARK

Rock Island Cubs Plan to Attract Crowd - Akron Fished to Win - Game May Have Chance

Dec. 3.—Negotiations for a game between the Akron Indians and the Rock Island Cubs, pending last Sunday when the Cubs represented their claim to the professional football championship by defeating the Chicago Cardinals 10-0, were closed by Managers George H. H. and Frank N. of the Cubs and the Akron Indians, respectively.

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NEW COMMISSION URGED TO DIRECT NATION'L BOXING

New York, Dec. 3.—Formation of a national association to have control of boxing throughout the United States will be considered at a meeting to be held in New York late this month, it was learned today.

The proposal is sponsored by the army, navy and civilian board of boxing control, through the chairman of its general committee, General Borghum, the sculptor. The general idea is said to be "heartily endorsed" by governors of many states.

ZBYSKO TAKES TAYLOR TO MAT

Stanislaus and His Rival to Open Winter Wrestling Season Tonight in Chi Coliseum

Chicago, Dec. 3.—With Stanislaus Zbysko meeting Jack Taylor, of Casper, Wyo., in the main event, the Coliseum Athletic club will open the winter wrestling season at the Coliseum tonight with an all-star card of three matches.

All matches, with the exception of the preliminary, will be to a finish, best two out of three falls. In the semi-windup William Demetral, the Greek light-heavyweight, will come to grips with Renato Gardini, an Italian heavyweight star.

Taylor, an impressive giant, weighing 225 pounds, invades Chicago with a remarkable record and the promise of being the best heavyweight champion contender developed in years.

Taylor's list of victims includes Jim Lomas, John Pesek and others. He has not lost a fall nor a match in two years.

It will be a different looking Zbysko on the mat tonight than when Chicagoans saw the Polish giant in action here last spring. Zbysko has reduced his weight 45 pounds. He now tips the scale at 235.

'BIG BILL' EDWARDS NEEDS FOUR SEATS

New York, Dec. 3.—(By United Press.)—No one around Madison Square garden now doubts that "Big Bill" Edwards, internal revenue collector and former Princeton football star, is large.

Yesterday an application for four seats for the Dempsey-Brennan bout was received with this information: "Be sure and get me four seats right near the ringside, as I have invited my friend, Bill, Edwards."

KECK IS ELECTED TIGERS' CAPTAIN

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 3.—James Stanton Keck of Greensburg, Pa., was chosen yesterday captain of Princeton's mainstay in the line this year and did not make a single failure at kicking goals after a touchdown. He was generally hailed as the greatest tackle in the East.

MILLIKIN OFFERED TILT WITH ILLINOIS

Decatur, Ill., Dec. 3.—N. G. Wann, director of athletics at Millikin university, has been offered a football game with Illinois university at Urbana on Nov. 5, the Saturday before the homecoming game with Chicago university.

COLUMBIA SEEKING GAME IN MID-WEST

New York, Dec. 3.—Columbia university is seeking an inter-sectional football game next fall with either Illinois university or Centre College, it was learned here today. The game would be played at the Polo grounds here.

TENDLER AND FITZ TO BATTLE DEC. 17

Milwaukee, Dec. 3.—Eddie Fitzsimmons, New York lightweight boxer, yesterday was signed to meet Lew Tandler of Philadelphia in a 10-round no-decision contest before a local club on Dec. 17. The boys originally were to meet on Dec. 14.

SMITH CANCELS SCHAUERS BOUT WITH R. RIVERS

Tomorrow's Scheduled Show at Illinois Called Off Because of Poor Physical Condition of Rivers

BY BRECK COPELAND. The 10-round bout between Johnny Schauers of St. Paul and Ray Rivers of California, scheduled for tomorrow night at the Illinois theatre, was cancelled last night by Promoter Frank Smith on receipt of information that Rivers is not in condition to meet Schauers or any other fighter.

Smith first tried to engage a substitute to oppose the McNulty entry and then called the whole show off when he learned that no good lightweight was available. It was also deemed inadvisable to look further, owing to the shortness of notice.

Ed Smith's View. In Chicago yesterday, I asked Ed Smith about this boy Rivers and was told that Rivers is subject to the dread "loco," which has rendered him unable to either train or fight for ring battles.

Rivers is now in the Windy City and, according to Smith, it would be inhuman to consider matching him with such a good boy as Schauers. The cancellation of the bout will be a disappointment to tri-city fans who were primed to see their favorite, Schauers, again in action.

However, the Davenport Legion show a week from tomorrow night, will offer Sammy Terrin, Mike McNulty's sensational welter, and Harvey Thorpe, who is feared greatly among the topnotch lightweights.

Press notices from a wide area all extol Terrin's cleverness and aggressive tactics, it being mentioned prominently that he never fails to fight all the way at top speed. McNulty has tried for a year to show the "Fighting Tailor" in the tri-cities, and it was only recently that he came to terms with the Davenport Legion.

Promoter Smith of the Rock Island Independent A. C., is already at work on a new card in the hope of negotiating a satisfactory program within two weeks.

TITLE CLASHES TODAY IN HIGH BASKET LEAGUE

Seniors and Sophs, Juniors and Freshies, Meet Tonight to Determine Winners. BY "ALIBI AL." Both seniors and sophomores won their games in the high school inter-class tournament held yesterday in the "Y" gym.

The fourth year class walloped the juniors, 41-19 and the sophs won, 20-12. Manager Clark has received an offer of a game with Toulon for Dec. 31 at Toulon, but it has not been decided whether to accept or not.

Most of the boys do not want to be away from home on New Year's eve, so it is doubtful whether the battle will be played. The first game of the local schedule will be with East Moline, Jan. 5. A contest will also probably be arranged with the alumni before this date, but no definite announcement has yet been made.

Title Matches Today. The finals for the championship of the four classes was to be played tonight between the sophs and the freshmen. The game between the sophomores and the fourth-year class was expected to be a battle royal as both classes are represented by good teams.

They defeated the juniors, 41-19, while the sophomores were only able to beat the same team, 11-8. Following is the standing and percentages of the four class teams:

	W.	L.	Pct.
Seniors	2	0	100
Sophomores	2	0	100
Juniors	0	2	0
Freshmen	0	2	0

None of the games last night was interesting in the slightest degree. At first the juniors looked as though they might have a chance to hold the fourth-year class, and scored three points before their opponents got started.

The seniors got down to work after that and showed their superiority through the rest of the contest. The freshmen didn't have a chance from the first against the strong sophomores five.

DONIE BUSH SIGNS HIS 13TH CONTRACT

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 3.—Owen (Donie) Bush, shortstop of the Detroit American League baseball club, has signed a contract for his thirteenth consecutive season with the Tigers, it was announced today.

"WATCH THE CLOCK!"



This is the "Last Minute Touchdown" combination in action. Quarterback Workman can throw a pigskin accurately half the length of the playing field, and Pete Stinchcomb, who is a second edition of "Chic" Harley, former All-American back and now assistant coach of the Ohioans, can catch a pass on the dead run. A 45-yard pass from Workman to Stinchcomb beat Wisconsin in the last minute of play this year. They're a sweet pair—"Hog" and Pete.

BY DEAN SNIDER

Ohio States' warning to the California Bears is—Watch the clock. The last minute touchdown is the threat which the Buckeye eleven—undefeated champions of the western conference—will take over the Rocky mountain "Bum" at Pasadena, Cal., where they grapple with the Californians on New Year day in the big intersectional grid game of the year.

No team that meets the Ohioans can figure the outcome of the game safely put in cold storage until the last shrill whistle has blown and even then if the ball is in play it had better watch out.

Famous Trick. The last minute stuff won the conference title for the Wilcox griders. The ball was in the air when the whistle blew and the winning points were scored after the clock had ticked a few seconds over time.

They humbled Wisconsin in the last four minutes of play by running over a pair of touchdowns. And they pulled the Chicago game out of the fire in the same uncanny manner.

Cutting Loose. The way they do it is by cutting loose with the overhead style of play—the dreaded forward pass which the Ohioans have developed so successfully.

That's the brand of football the Ohioans will take west with them. The last minute forward pass attack will be their threat.

Few believed Coach Jack Wilcox in the squad could pull such a trick on a Zuppke-trained eleven, but it did. Will they do the same thing to California on New Year day?

Team Play. And the principals in this forward pass vaudeville act are "Hog" Workman, quarterback, and Pete Stinchcomb, one of the brainiest halfbacks seen in the middle west and east this year. When Stinchcomb isn't on the receiving end of Workman's long tosses he is directing where the ends shall dart down the field to be ready to scoop up the ball on the dead run.

Naturally the players directly taking part in this spectacular overhead attack stand out, yet it is the work of the other players that helps make it successful.

Big Ohio Year. Ohio has had a big year in politics, baseball and football. Fortune has smiled over Ohio soil in all her attempts to outstrip rivals. By having two Ohioans in the presidential race they put over Warren G. for a touchdown. And Tris Speaker's Cleveland Indians knocked the baseball world title for a goal.

Johnny Evers Feted by Club Boosters in Rousing Event Of His Return As Manager

Chicago, Dec. 3.—Johnny Evers' homecoming party was a corker. Close to 1,000 baseball fans assembled at the Hotel La Salle last night to welcome the Trojan home.

It was a brilliant and deserving tribute to the fighting man of the diamond who will pilot the Chicago Cubs through the 1921 baseball campaign.

The folks made Evers feel glad that he had come back to Chicago. Everybody there had nice things to say about Johnny and everybody meant what was said.

White Sox and Cub fans mingled together. President Joseph C. Farrell of the Woodland Berds, a distinctive White Sox organization, was there with his gang. The Berds will all be rooting for Evers and his Cubs on hot days next summer when the alabaster hose are playing on foreign fields.

Sweetest Toastmaster. Robert M. Sweetser was the toastmaster. He had a ways hits above the 300 mark as such. Oratory was spilled all over the banquet room by several of Chicago's ablest speakers.

The dinner started promptly at 7 o'clock and it was a late hour when the ninth inning finally had been played. Last night's tribute to Evers was planned by a boosters committee of which John F. Culbertson was the chairman. Mr. Culbertson was ably assisted by Andy Sheehan, a first-class Chicago booster.

Mayer William Hale Thompson was there. He had a seat at the speaker's table and said some nice things about Johnny. Secretary Harry Grabner and Treasurer Louis Comiskey represented the White Sox. Catcher Ray Schalk of the Sox also sat at the Evers table. Ray is one of the greatest Evers boosters in Chicago.

Many other baseball men of prominence attended. Charles W. Murphy, former boss of the Cubs, was there and said lots of pretty things about Evers. Catcher Bill Killefer of the Cubs came across the lake from Michigan and Coach

Cozy Dolan, the Cub funmaker, came in from Oshkosh, Wis. They didn't want to miss the opportunity to be in on the ground floor at the first party given in honor of their new chief.

Joe Tinker on Hand. Danny Cahill, the champion of all Cub fans, quit chasing fire engines long enough to occupy a ringside seat. Jack Hendricks, manager of the Indianapolis American Association club, also was there. So was Joe Tinker, who shortstopped when the Tinker to Evers to Chance combination was knocking 'em stiff around the National League circuit.

SCORES OFFER BLOOD TO GIPP

South Bend, Ind., Dec. 3.—(United Press.)—Physicians declared today it will not be necessary to make a blood transfusion to save George Gipp, Notre Dame gridiron star, if his condition continues to improve as it has in the last 24 hours.

More than 100 friends and students volunteered to give up blood to save Gipp. The hospital reported today Gipp spent a restful night.

NINE TEAMS TIED IN SIX-DAY RACE ON GARDEN TRACK

New York, Dec. 3.—After two days and three nights of fast traveling about the Madison Square Garden track, nine out of the thirteen teams still contesting in the annual six-day bicycle race here were tied this morning for third place, having covered 969 miles and three laps in 56 hours.

Brocco and Coburn held their position attained in the first day's sprinting with the same mileage and five laps, while Debarts and Fereyn and Vanhavet and Vandenberg were tied for second place with 969 miles, and four-and-a-half laps. Two teams, composed of Sutter and Sutter, and Grimm and Vandavele brought up the rear with 969 miles and two and one laps to their credit, respectively.

The record for 56 hours' riding, 1,159 miles and five laps, was set by Anderson and Dupuy in 1915.

COAST HIGHS MEET

Long Beach, Calif., Dec. 3.—The Everett, Washington, high school football team, challengers of the Oak Park and Englewood high school teams of Chicago, will play here Dec. 17, against the Long Beach high school eleven, it was announced today.

JACKSON LOSES IN FINALS FOR BILLIARD TITLE

Defeated By Layton in Playoffs to Meet Cannefax

Chicago, Dec. 3.—Johnny Layton, St. Louis, scored an expected victory over Clarence Jackson of Kansas City, 74-52, in 53 innings, in the first game of the final in the world's three-cushion billiard championship tournament play yesterday afternoon at the Strauss auditorium, 116 West Madison street.

There was never any doubt of the result from start to finish, for the reason that the edge which was supposed to be Layton's carried along with it the breaks, which are usually the winner's in any game.

Layton showed class. Up to yesterday Layton had given little indication of being a safety player. But he gave this feature of his game plenty of attention yesterday, and was able, at the same time, to step out and get them whenever Jackson showed signs of catching up.

Layton included two fives, four fours and eight threes in his string, while Jackson had two fives, a four and five threes for his best runs.

Angie Kleckhefer, Chicago, who got into the finals by defeating Pierre Manpome, Milwaukee, 50-48, in 53 innings, in the playoff for third place Monday night, is the first opponent of Champion Bob Cannefax.

The finals will require until Thursday night to complete, each player meeting every other finalist. In the event of ties, the playoffs will be held Friday.

Salary for Runner-Up. As an additional incentive to finals contestants, W. V. Thompson of the Brunswick-Balke-Collender company announced yesterday that the runner-up will be paid an annual salary of \$1,200 in addition to the already announced cash prize of \$1,000 for the place.

John Daly, New York, and Alfredo De Oro, the Cuban, who tied for fifth and sixth money, amounting to \$400 and \$200, respectively, will play off for their final standing before the finish of the tournament. Tournament officials had not intended a playoff for this place, but De Oro insisted on it and Daly was willing to let the two veterans have it out.

BUCKEYES INVADE FAR WEST ON DEC. 18

Columbus, O., Dec. 3.—The Ohio State football team, which plays the University of California at Pasadena New Year's day, will leave Columbus Dec. 13 and arrive in Pasadena at 11 a. m., December 24, in all her attempts to outstrip rivals.

By having two Ohioans in the presidential race they put over Warren G. for a touchdown. And Tris Speaker's Cleveland Indians knocked the baseball world title for a goal.

And now her championship grid machine has the call to bump off another sweeping triumph and make it "The Bud of a Perfect Year for Ohio."

MISS BLEIBTREY TO CROSS PACIFIC

New York, Dec. 3.—Miss Ethelda Bleibrey, champion woman swimmer in the Olympic Games at Antwerp last fall, left here today for Vancouver, whence she will sail for Australia on Dec. 15.

She will engage in several championship swimming contests in the Antipodes where her chief opponent will be Miss Fannie Dracoff of Sydney, Australian champion.

POST IS GIVEN FIRST CHANCE BY W. FLANIGAN

Manager of Team to Give Up Enterprise—Promises Vets Every Help

Rock Island post of the American Legion is confronted with a proposition to take over control and management of the Rock Island Independents' football team next season.

Walter A. Flanagan, who since the inception of the Independents in 1912, has been connected with the organization, and who for several years has been the guiding genius of the team as manager, appeared before the Legion in session last night with a formal offer to turn the organization over to the post.

A committee consisting of Dr. Harry Frey, chairman; Herbert Auld, Guy Marshall and Howard Klove was appointed to investigate the proposition and report back at the next regular meeting, Tuesday, Dec. 21.

Flanagan stated that he desires to retire from the control of the team and believes that the Legion is his logical offer to the post. A committee consisting of Dr. Harry Frey, chairman; Herbert Auld, Guy Marshall and Howard Klove was appointed to investigate the proposition and report back at the next regular meeting, Tuesday, Dec. 21.

BOXER IS DEAD FROM KNOCKOUT

Jersey City, N. J., Dec. 3.—Mickey Shannon, a heavyweight boxer of Pittsburgh, Pa., who was knocked out in a bout here last night with Al Roberts of Staten Island, died in City Hospital shortly after 5 o'clock this morning.

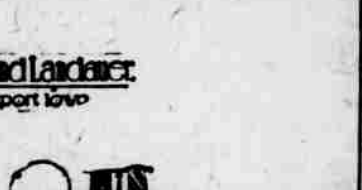
Shannon received the fatal blow in the sixth round, suffering internal hemorrhage at the base of the skull. He never regained consciousness.

Roberts was arrested on a charge of atrocious assault and battery upon leaving the ring, was paroled in custody of his manager, Billy Gibson, pending the outcome of Shannon's inquest.

At that time County Judge Richard Doherty, who granted the parole, said in case of Shannon's death, the charge against Roberts would be changed to manslaughter. No such charge had been reported against him early today.



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